

Caribbean Stud® Bonus Poker



User Manual

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About This Manual

This manual describes the basic procedures to deal and play the Caribbean Stud Bonus Poker table game and assumes Dealers are familiar with standard poker rules.

This manual is intended for casino operators and employees, regulatory agencies, and independent governing bodies.

PGIC recommendations, such as hand motions, are to ensure clarity in game play and betting requirements. However, management **may alter** the procedures to suit in-house policies.

Establishing Limits on Bets and Aggregate Payouts

Casino management may choose to adhere to the following:

- Define and post separate **minimum and maximum wagering limits** for both the base game and Bonus bet.
- Management should also define and post an aggregate limit for payouts (maximum allowed total payout to winning Players during a single round of play). Posting an aggregate limit protects the establishment from excessive liability in any one round of play, while allowing the Player a wider range of betting options (subject to posted aggregate limits).

Reference Documentation

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Recommended Game Procedures

Overview

Caribbean Stud Bonus Poker is a five-card poker game played with one 52-card deck. One five-card hand is dealt to each of six or seven betting positions on the table. One Player is associated with each betting position; unless casino management elects to allow back-players. Each position is comprised of three different bets; Ante, Call (Bet), and Bonus.

Game Procedure Steps

Step 1: Initial Wagers

Players place wagers in the Ante spot according to house limits, and optionally place wagers in the Bonus spot. Both bets must be made **before** any cards are dealt.

Step 2: Dealing the Hands

The Dealer shuffles and deals or delivers, by hand (or by shoe, depending on regulatory requirements) or via an automatic shuffling machine, five cards to each Player in front of the Player's betting position and five cards face down to the Dealer position. The Dealer then turns only the top Dealer-position card face up.

Step 3: Players Decide to Fold or Call

Players review their hands without interaction or communications with other Players, and then must decide to either:

- **Fold:** forfeit Ante and Bonus bets, and hand in cards
- **Call (Bet):** Place twice the amount of their Ante in the Bet spot, to continue playing

Step 4: Dealer Shows Hand and Settles Players' Hands

The Dealer exposes his or her hand and announces whether it is qualifies (Ace-King or above). Starting from his or her right and moving to the left, the Dealer settles each Player's hand individually (base game first and then the Bonus bet) before moving on to the next Player, as follows:

If Dealer Qualifies (with A-K or above)	If Dealer Does Not Qualify
The Dealer arranges his or her hand in order, pays any winning hands and collects any losing bets.	The Dealer pays even money on Ante bets, and the posted x-to-1 ratio for Bonus bets greater than two-pair.

Examples

The Player's hand and bets are the same in each of the following examples. In each example, the Dealer's hand changes but the **Player's hand, three-of-a-kind**, and bet amounts remain the same. The bet amounts are as follows:

Ante: \$20 Call bet: \$40 Bonus bet: \$5

Example 1: Dealer Does Not Qualify

The Player is paid: \$20 for the Ante, \$0 for the Call bet and \$25 (\$5 at the ratio of 5 to 1) for the Bonus bet.

Example 2: Dealer Has One Pair, but Player Wins

With the Dealer having one pair, the Player wins over the Dealer. The Player is paid a total of \$165, as follows: \$20 for the Ante, \$120 (3 to 1) for the Call bet and \$25 (\$5 at a ratio of 5-to-1) for the Bonus bet.

Example 3: Dealer Has a Flush and Wins over Player

The Dealer collects the Player's losing \$20 Ante and \$40 Call bet. The Player is still paid \$25 for the Bonus bet.

Summary

- The Dealer settles each Player position completely before moving to the next position.
- After all Player hands are settled, the Dealer starts shuffling or activates the automatic shuffling machine.
- The Dealer announces "Place your bets" while making a left-to-right sweeping motion with one hand to give visual notice to supervision and surveillance that Ante and side-bet wagering is open for the next round of play.
- Before dealing the next game, the Dealer makes the sweeping motion again, to indicate that no more wagers (Ante and Bonus) will be accepted.